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## **All Volunteers Should Be Advised Of Safety “RULES OF THE ROAD”**





### **What to Wear, Dress for the Occasion**

-  Clothing light or bright colored.
-  Durable or heavy shoes, boots, pants, tops, jackets, hats. Boots are recommended, with ankle support preferable.
-  Gloves for working—to protect against sharp objects and wet weather.
-  Layers of clothing for inclement weather.
-  BE TICK SMART! Wear long pants, avoid tall grass, and check for ticks upon your arrival home.

### **How to Behave, Safely and Sensibly**

-  Team up, to Green Up. Work with partners or teams.
-  Work on the left side of the road, facing oncoming traffic.
-  Work one side of a roadway at a time. Travel by vehicle to the other side.
-  Keep vehicles on same side of roadway as the volunteers.
-  Park all vehicles well clear of roadway, 10 feet from shoulder.
-  Watch footing when working on slopes.
-  Avoid overexertion. Take breaks. Drink water.
-  Do not remove dead animals or **suspected toxic or hazardous waste**. Needles and Meth Lab containers should be left where they are! Inform leaders who can then inform proper authorities, such as town or state road maintenance personnel or the State Police.

### **Also...**

-  Keep a First Aid kit available.
-  For safety of children, adult supervisors should always be present.
-  The coordinator could keep a list of drivers' names and names of children going with those drivers and their destinations.
-  For safety of children working in groups—two cars should be assigned to each group. The first car would serve as the “lead/caution” car. The second would pull up the rear with the children working between the cars in a “safety zone”.